

**Mount Joy Township Supervisors’
Regular Meeting
September 15, 2011**

Meeting Minutes

Present: Board Chairman - John Gormont; Supervisors - David Updyke, Gilbert Clark, Bradley Trostle
Solicitor - Susan Smith; Secretary/Treasurer - Susan Harbin

14 Number of Residents Signed Attendance Sheet for this meeting.

The Mount Joy Township Board of Supervisors met this date, as publicly advertised, at the Mount Joy Township Building located at 902 Hoffman Home Rd., Gettysburg, PA 17325.

Item/Topic	Discussion	Action/Resolution	Follow Up/ Date
Call to Order	John Gormont presiding. Starting Time: 7:00 pm		
Pledge of Allegiance			
Approval of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 18, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes • September 1, 2011 Workshop Meeting Minutes 	<p>Mr. Clark moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to approve Minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Mr. Clark moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to approve Minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.</p>	
Chairman’s Statement – John Gormont			
Solicitor’s Report – Susan Smith, Esq.	Solicitor’s Report presented.	Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to accept Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.	
Persons Requesting Time on Agenda	None.		
Public Comment			
1. Carol Holtz	Ms. Holtz commented that she has never been in favor of a Recreation Park in MJT and is asking:		

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the intension of the board for the park we now own? To be discussed later this evening. 2. What is the liability insurance on the park itself? Mr. Gormont commented that the Twp. does carry liability insurance on the park as it sits today. <p>Ms. Holtz also commented that she does not agree on how the Board of Supervisors handled guidelines to the Rec. Brd. and feels an apology is necessary and recommends an appreciation for the efforts put forth by the volunteers on the Rec. Brd.</p>		
2. Bob Sharrah	<p>Mr. Sharrah asked the Supervisors for approval on a Planning Module for one segment (sewage planning) of a subdivision plan. The Planning Commission, which met this week, did not have a quorum and could not review the plan.</p> <p>Mr. Gormont responded that the Brd. needs to follow proper procedures. The Planning Commission will meet again in Oct. and review the plans at that time, then forward their recommendation to the Brd. of Supervisors.</p>		
Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd Subpoena request submitted to the twp. for domestic dispute. Twp. Solicitor informed attorney that the subpoena is not official. • Adams Cty. Volunteer Emergency Services Assoc. (ACVESA) is asking municipalities to participate in a survey concerning emergency services. 		
Treasurer's Reports	<p>Approval of Monthly Finance Report</p> <p>Approval Bills Paid Report.</p>	<p>Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Clark to accept Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to accept Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.</p>	
Subdivision and Land Development Plans SALDO Ordinance No. 2003-05 Draft	Solicitor presented Draft Ordinance amending the Subdivision and Land Development (SALDO) Ordinance.	Solicitor will incorporate Supervisors suggestions into the Draft and bring to Wkshp Mtg.	Forward to Supervisors' Wkshp. Mtg. 10/6/11.
Road Report	Report presented.	Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to accepted Report at presented. Motion carried unanimously.	
Zoning Officer's Report Cindy Smith	Zoning Officer's Report presented.	Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to accept Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.	
Land and Sea Services, LLC, November 2010 Building Inspections	Report presented.	For Information.	

Open Records Report	None.		
Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adams Cty. Office For Aging, Inc., ltr. dated 9/1, request for contribution HGP ltr, 9/7/11, extension of hours for Black Friday – Sec will notify approval. SPCA ltr, dated 9/7, Agreement, asking for .50 per capita. Contract for 2012 attached. Adams Cty. Dept of Emerg. Services, e-mail dated 9/14, request for donations for flood victims. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board of Supervisors has no objections and approves the extension of hours for Black Friday. Financial annual report and/or P&L have not been submitted to the twp as requested. 	Twp. Secr. will notify HCP of approval.
Committee/Board Reports			
<u>Personnel</u> J. Gormont, M. Gearhart 1. Part-time Secretary's Assistant Position	Sheri Moyer has been hired for the part time Secretary's Assistant. Start date: 10/6.		
<u>Finance</u> J. Gormont, D. Updyke	Mr. Updyke continues to working on the preliminary budget.		Forward to Supervisors' Wkshp. Mtg. 10/6/11.
<u>Planning Commission</u>	No quorum for a PC meeting in Sept.		
<u>Planning, Land Use & Zoning</u> - G. Clark	No report		
<u>Building & Grounds</u> M. Gearhart	No report		
<u>Roads</u> D. Updyke Line Painting Project	<p>The township has received 2 bids in response to an ad placed in the newspaper. Bids remained sealed, to be opened during the Board of Supervisors' Regular Meeting.</p> <p>Bids for Line Painting: 71,340 LF of 4" single yellow line 58,639 LF of 4" double yellow line 68,639 LF of 4" single white line</p> <p>BID #1: Mr. Updyke opened and read the bid. Interstate Road Management, 322 Rocky Rd., Hazleton, PA</p>	Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to accept the contract for \$11,833.82, from Alpha Space Control Co., Inc. for line painting of specified Mt. Joy Township roads. Motion carried unanimously.	

	<p>Total \$14,962.54 BID #2: Mr. Trostle opened and read the bid. Alpha Space Control Co., Inc. 1580 Gabler Rd., Chambersburg, PA Total \$11,833.82</p> <p>Both companies have satisfied the technical requirements for the bid.</p>		
<p><u>Public Safety</u> G. Clark</p>	<p>Due to recent severe weather, the President has signed a Disaster Declaration for PA. Adams Cty. is gathering preliminary damage reports from public and individuals at this time.</p> <p>Mr. Clark and Mr. Gormont met with the new EMC for MJT, Don Yingling, who is a resident of MJT.</p>		
<p><u>Council of Government</u> J. Gormont</p>	Nothing to report at this time.		
<u>Historical Committee</u>	Nothing to report at this time.		
<u>Ag Security Advisory Cmte</u>	Nothing to report at this time.		
Agricultural Land Preservation Board	Nothing to report at this time.		
<p>Recreation Board 1. Lynn Anne Sukeena</p>	<p>Report presented.</p> <p>Sandi Cooper has resigned from the Recreation Board effective 9/6/11. There is now a vacancy on the Brd.</p>	<p>Mr. Clark moved, seconded by Mr. Updyke , to accepted Report at presented. Motion carried unanimously.</p>	
2. Sandy DeFoe	<p>Ms. DeFoe stated her concerns over the necessity of a community park in MJT and the costs involved with maintaining a park.</p> <p>Ms. Ibex explained that the Recreation Board's plans for the community park differed from Ms. DeFoe's idea of what the park would be. Ms. Ibex also stated that there is interest in the community park as a nature park and a complement to Mud College.</p>		
Old Business			
	Ordinance No. 2011-04, An Ordinance Amending The Code Of The Township of Mt. Joy, Adams County, PA, To Repeal Ordinance 2005-01 Draft	Solicitor presented draft to repeal Ord. No. 2005-01.	

<p>Public Comments:</p> <p>1. Phil Cole</p> <p>3. Lynne Ann Sukeena</p> <p>4. Bob Gitt</p> <p>5. Mr. Bebe Hay Cutting</p>	<p>Mr. Cole asked if monies spent on the park could be recouperated if it is not used as a public park. Supervisors did not have an answer.</p> <p>Ms. Sukeena stated that if the Supervisors were to consider selling the park, permission to sell must be granted by DCNR, since they are the grantee who gave money toward purchase of the park. She also commented that the Historical Cmte. liked the idea of having acres behind Mud College Schoolhouse as an area for school children to play.</p> <p>Mr. Gitt voluntarily mowed around Mud College Schoolhouse and found a lot of cans, debris, pieces of fence boards, and branches on the ground, which need to be cleaned up. He states these are hazards for school children.</p> <p>Mr. Bebe agreed that a section behind the schoolhouse is a good idea for use of school children. Mr. Gormont commented that someone, unauthorized, has come onto the Community Park property, cut and removed hay from the Twp-owned fields. Common agreement throughout room was that this is stealing from the Twp. The Supervisors agreed some legal action should be taken.</p>		
Proposed Public Hearing		<p>Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Trostle, to hold a Public Hearing Meeting at 6:30 on Thurs., 10/6, for the purpose of adopting Ordinance No. 2011-04, An Ordinance Amending The Code Of The Township of Mt. Joy, Adams County, PA, To Repeal Ordinance 2005-01. 3 ayes: Mr. Gormont, Trostle, Updyke 1 nay: Mr. Clark Motion carried.</p>	Secr. will advertise for Public Hearing.
New Business			
1. ACTCC	Mr. Updyke attended the Adams County TCC meeting this month. The Assoc. would like municipalities and townships to vote on a Tax Ordinance in Oct., giving the tax collector authorization to collect taxes across the county. Than asking individual municipalities to vote on the ordinance at their township meetings in Oct.	Supervisors agree that more review and editing is needed before a final version can be voted upon.	
2. Letter From Fire Companies Supporting Mt. Joy Twp.	<p>The Twp. received a letter addressed to Mr. Gormont, signed by Presidents from Alpha, Barlow, Bonneauville, and Gettysburg Fire Companies, stating that all 4 fire companies voted that they would no longer provide Emergency Services to Mt. Joy Twp effective 1/1/12.</p> <p>Mr. Gormont is assuming this is in response to a 10% cut for 2012 contributions to the fire companies. He stated he will continue to work to resolve the issue and will keep residents informed.</p>		

	<p>The fire companies have not received the 2011 contribution from the Twp. Mr. Gormont stated that the monies are allocated and waiting to be distributed. A requirement to receive the contribution is for each company to provide a 990 to the twp. Only 1 fire company to date has provided financials requested. Since the 4 fire companies have formed a coalition, all 4 must provide the necessary financial statement to receive allotted contributions. The Twp. is still waiting.</p>	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned 8:40 pm.</p>	

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan C. Harbin
Secretary/Treasurer

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